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Title:	Stabilized Bone Graft	Group Art Unit:

**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 CFR § 1.97(b)**

Commissioner for Patents
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I hereby certify that this document is being sent via First Class U.S. mail addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1540 on this 16 day of March, 2009.

Julie Wang
(Signature)

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.97(b), the references listed on the attached Form PTO/SB/08A are brought to the attention of the Examiner for consideration in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application. This IDS is being filed before the mailing of a first office action on the merits. In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.97(b), no statement or fee is required.

Pursuant to the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure, Chapter 609, Applicant requests that the Examiner consider each of the listed documents and initial and return to the undersigned a copy of the enclosed Form PTO/SB/08A.

Pursuant to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's July 11, 2003 waiver of the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(ii), only copies of foreign or other documents are provided. Copies of the U.S. patent references are not provided.

By this submission Applicant does not admit that such documents constitute prior art. Applicant reserves the right to show, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.131 or otherwise, that any of the identified patents and publications, and any referenced in the present application are not prior art with respect to the present application.

Cross-Reference to Related Applications

The Applicants would like to bring to the Examiner's attention the following commonly owned cases. In addition, the items on the enclosed Form PTO/SB/08A were cited to, or cited by, the Office in one or more of the following related cases:

U.S. Application No. 10/923392, filed 31-Jan-2005 (attorney docket no. 186878/US/3), published as US-2005-0143740-A1 on 30-Jun-2005;

U.S. Application No. 10/651390, filed 28-Aug-2003 (attorney docket no. 186990/US/4); published as US-2004-0044409-A1 on 04-Mar-2004;

U.S. Application No. 10/964113, filed 13-Oct-2004 (attorney docket no. 189511/US/2), published as US-2005-0107880-A1 on 19-May-2005;

U.S. Application No. 10/589226, filed 27-Jan-2005 (attorney docket no. 189704/US/2), published as US-2007-0178158-A1 on 02-Aug-2007;

U.S. Application No. 09/803266, filed 09-Mar-2001 (attorney docket no. 186998/US/2), published as US-2002-0128717-A1 on 12-Sep-2002 (to be abandoned);

U.S. Application No. 10/237821, filed 09-Sep-2002 (attorney docket no. 186998/US/3), published as US-2003-0060825-A1 on 27-Mar-2003 (abandoned);

U.S. Patent No. 5,632,747, issued 27-May-1997 (attorney docket no. 186853/US);

U.S. Patent No. 5,928,238, issued 27-Jul-1999 (attorney docket no. 186853/US/2);

U.S. Patent No. 6,527,773, issued 04-Mar-2003 (attorney docket no. 186987/US/2);

U.S. Patent No. 6,733,504, issued 11-May-2004 (attorney docket no. 186987/US/3);

U.S. Patent No. 5,895,426, issued 20-Apr-1999 (attorney docket no. 186867/US);

U.S. Patent No. 6,045,580, issued 04-Apr-2000 (attorney docket no. 186867/US/2);

U.S. Patent No. 6,315,795, issued 13-Nov-2001 (attorney docket no. 186867/US/3);

U.S. Patent No. 6,547,823, issued 15-Apr-2003 (attorney docket no. 186955/US/2);

U.S. Patent No. 6,383,221, issued 07-May-2002 (attorney docket no. 186955/US/3);

U.S. Patent No. 6,638,310, issued 28-Oct-2003 (attorney docket no. 186826/US/2);

U.S. Patent No. 6,277,149, issued 21-Aug-2001 (attorney docket no. 186954/US);

U.S. Patent No. 6,530,955, issued 11-Mar-2003 (attorney docket no. 186954/US/2);

U.S. Patent No. 6,855,167, issued 15-Feb-2005 (attorney docket no. 189511/US);

Payment of Fees

No fees are due with respect to this filing. However, should any fees be deemed necessary, such fees may be charged to Deposit Account No. 04-1420.

Respectfully submitted,

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